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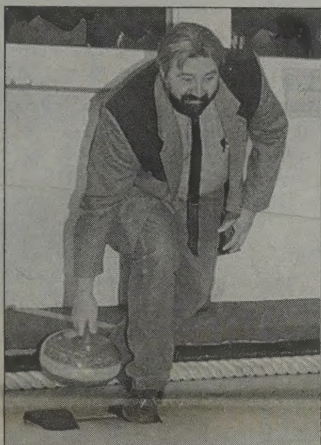
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Local curlers win 18th Annual Oilmen's Bonspiel a huge sucess from beginning to end

From the first note of the 4 Wing, Cold Lake bagpipers' tune as they led the curlers onto the ice Wednesday night, to the final rock thrown four days later, the 18th Annual Elk Point Oilmen's Bonspiel has been declared a roaring success.



Provincial Progressive Conservative nominee Ray Danyluk threw the opening rock to declare the bonspiel officially underway.

The rink's refrigeration plant, under the tender loving care of bonspiel organizer Leonard Gadowski, made up for last year's misbehavior, providing excellent ice for entire spiel.

A local team, sponsored by Jorvik Machine Tool and Welding and skipped by

Steve Penz, won this year's Grand Challenge over the Ashlin K Transport rink skipped by Kris Fruin. Curling with Penz were Pete Stafford, Don Mudryk and Ron Ballas.

The two rinks were tied 3-3 after four ends, but Jorvik progressed to a 7-4 lead after eight ends, and Ashlin's two points in the ninth did not give the out-of-town rink enough leeway to edge ahead in the final end, with Jorvik having the last-rock advantage.

The Gibsons rink was third and the Shamrock rink fourth in the Grand Challenge event.

Clarence Romanick skipped last year's Grand Challenge winners, the Betz Dearborn rink, to the Second Event win, downing Weatherford BMW, skipped by Don Bertrand. Silverline placed third and B & R Eckels fourth.

RSC Canada, skipped by Eldon Gagne, won the Third Event over Weatherford Canada, skipped by Brad Orbeck. R & M Energy placed third and Tesco Gris fourth in the event.

The B & R Eckels trophies in the Fourth Event went to Shlumberger Completions, skipped by John Regnier, with Tri-Can, skipped by Kevin Smart, second, GLM Tanks third and Heat Seekers fourth.



COLD LAKE PIPE BAND led the curlers in the official opening.



GRAND CHALLENGE WINNERS at the 18th Annual Oilmen's Bonspiel accepting the Shamrock Valley Enterprises trophies from Oilmen's Association president Russ Hebblethwaite were the home-town Jorvik rink, (left to right) Steve Pens, Pete Stafford, Don Melnyk and Ron Ballas, who edged out (front, left to right) Ashlin K Transport's Kris Fruin, Dusty Makichuk, Mark Savoy and Bob Bowser for the win. More winners on Page 2.

■ Helping their community

Lions will celebrate 30 years with fire victims benefit

By Doug Bassett
Elk Point & District Lions Club

Turn back your clocks... The year is 1971. The Boston Bruins with a young defenseman named Bobby Orr win their first Stanley Cup in years. The Baltimore Orioles win the World Series. The underdog Calgary Stampeders win the Grey Cup over Toronto, right in Toronto. Richard Nixon is the President of the USA, and the troops are still in Viet Nam. Pierre Elliot Trudeau is the Prime Minister of Canada. Stairway to Heaven, by Led Zeppelin is the top rock-and-roll hit. And some community-minded men form the Elk Point and District Lions Club.

Yes, that's right. For 30 years, the Elk Point and District Lions Club has been serving the community, giving service to everyone in need, young and old, clubs and groups, sponsoring the Scouts and the Leos, supporting minor sports, building sports facilities, repairing facilities, replacing equipment at the hospital and for the fire department, and raising money to help others too numerous to mention.

The Elk Point and District Lions Club is celebrating its 30th Charter Night on this coming Saturday, February 10, 2001 at the Elks Hall.

Any Charter Night is a special occasion, but for our club it is also a special cause that we are raising

funds for in conjunction with the Charter Night. A family tragedy occurred back in the middle of October, 2000 on the farm of Glen and Cathy Ockerman, when their two sons were badly burned in an explosion of a burning barrel. Marvin suffered second degree burns to his face and lower back, Tyler suffered second and third degree burns to 60% of his body. Tyler has since had some major surgeries, and will continue to have numerous surgeries as he grows.

A trust fund was set up at the Alberta Treasury Branch in Elk Point to help the Ockerman family and all proceeds from our Charter Night will be going toward

the fund. We hope you can come out and help us celebrate this special Charter Night and support a worthwhile cause.

Please give your support to a club that has supported you in your community for 30 years. Here's your

chance to give a little back while having a good time at a fine dinner and dance. Tickets are available from any Lions member. You know who we are, because when you needed us, we were there to support your cause.

Chamber AGM tomorrow

Just a reminder that the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce 2001 Annual General Meeting is slated for 6 p.m. tomorrow evening at the Empress.

President Eugene Buck has entertainment and door prizes on the agenda, as well as the usual lineup of choosing a new executive and setting the year's membership fees, and this will also be an opportunity to talk over plans for the Chamber's activities for the coming year.

Anyone with an interest in Elk Point's business community is welcome to attend and give their input.

community NEWS

Tournament for tiniest hockey stars

By Doug Bassett
Review Sports

While the Oilmen's was the big event going on downtown, it wasn't the only event in town this past weekend. Up at the other rink at the top of the hill, there were some little people on the ice doing something that may have looked a bit like body curling, banging into each other and falling down, chasing the puck around the ice, these guys are by far the greatest to watch. The tournament of champions, the **Micro Novice Tornadoes** tournament with six teams, two from Lloydminster, Vermilion, Marwayne, Dewberry and of course



ELK POINT MICRO NOVICE TORNADOES hosted a great tourney on Saturday.

our very own Tornadoes. Win or lose, everyone got a trophy to take home. The Tornadoes were in a very close game against Marwayne, Brandon

Rainey with a hat trick, Chad Nauss with two, Eric Kubinchak and Dawson Lowry with singles. In their second game against a team from Lloyd, Chad Nauss with two, Ken Stanley, Trevor Ballas, Tori Becker and Tyson Moneta all scoring. A big hand for coach "Iron Mike" Rainey and all his team parents for a job well done. For some parents, this was their first experience at a tournament, but I assure you, it won't be their last. The Tornadoes are booked for the next four weekends going to some other town's tournaments.

While the Oilmen were at the banquet hall, team captain Craig Dallaire was leading his team with a hat trick, the **Atom Avalanche** defeating Goodfish Saturday night 5 to 3. Josh "Wheels" Weir and Sonny Benson also scoring. Next weekend the "buzz cut kids" meet Dewberry for their next round, a two game, home-and-home provincial series. Let's get out there and cheer these guys and two gals on.

Nicky Myshaniuk, Jordan Cousins, Ryan

Ockerman and Bret Gadwa, along with some others, all came home banged up and bruised when the **Peewee Avalanche** lost out in the "A" final to St. Paul, after defeating Edmonton and Mallaig in St. Paul's Peewee tournament. It was a good weekend for all the boys, who played hard and took some punishing hits for their team.

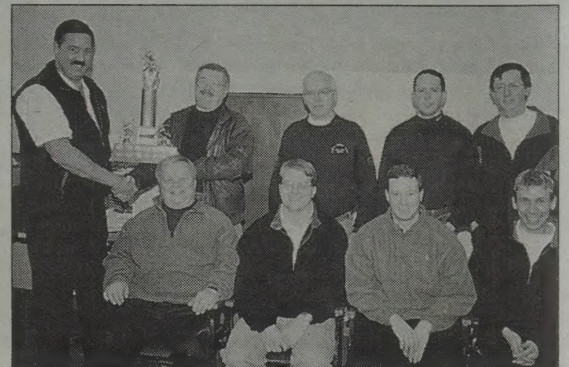
It's a long way to Macklin, SK, two and a half hours south, the **Girls Storm** traveling there on Saturday night. Those long road trips can be a killer sometimes, you almost need to go for a run to wake up before the game, and the girls did look a little wobbly and sleepy, but they turned it on half way through, coming home with two points after winning 3 to 2. Megan Proskiw, Eryl Anton Roberts and Brooklyn Blacklock all scoring.

The **Midget Thunder** had another weekend off to rest up before their Provincial run.

The **Bantam Colts** won their first Provincial game against Smoky Lake last Tuesday night in

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More winners from the 18th Annual Oilmen's Bonspiel



SECOND EVENT winners of the Tarsands trophies presented by Russ Hebblethwaite were (back, l-r) Betz Dearborn rinkmates Clarence Romanick, Brian Wittmack, Brent Grieve and Joe Breland, who won over (front, l-r) Weatherford BMW's Don Bertrand, Sean Stewart, Dean Lypkie and Kelly Wright.



THIRD EVENT winners of the BMW trophies presented by Jeremy Weisch were (back, l-r) RSC Canada's Eldon Gagne, Russell Horbach, Norm Watts and George Campbell, winners over Weatherford Canada's (front, l-r) Brad Orbeck, Lance Nickless, Darrin Orbeck and Bob Orbeck.



FOURTH EVENT trophies from B & R Eckels were presented by Russ Hebblethwaite to Shlumberger Completions' (back, l-r) John Regnier, Garv Fesyk, Kevin Langille and Owen Gibson, winners over (front, l-r) TriCan curlers Kevin Smart, Stacy Walker, Dave Lloyd and Pat Nairn.

Elk Point Micro Novice Tornadoes

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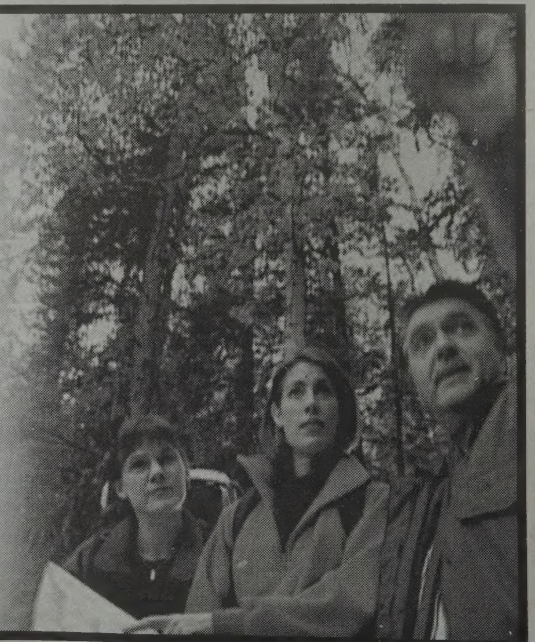
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from the FCSS DESK

Express your love: Valentine's Day is coming soon

By Deanna Easthope
FCSS Director

February 14 is not very far away. We all know what that means. The "I love you" is spoken freely by some people. For others, it is hard to say those words. Have you ever wondered what happens when you don't say those words? I found a story in the book, "A Cup of Chicken Soup For the

Soul" by Hannech McCarty that seems to be a reality check for someone who didn't say "I love you." The story goes as follows:

The clergyman was just finishing the graveside service. Suddenly, the 78-year-old man whose wife of 50 years had just died began screaming in a thick accent, "Oh, oh, oh, how I loved her!" His mournful wail interrupted the digni-

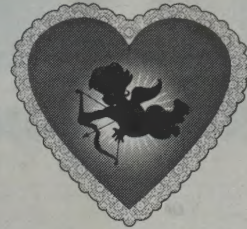
fied quiet of the ceremony. The other family and friends standing around the grave looked shocked and embarrassed. His grown children, blushing, tried to shush their father. "It's okay, Sad; we understand. Shush." The old man stared fixedly at the casket lowering slowly into the grave. The clergyman went on. Finishing, he invited the family to shovel

some dirt onto the coffin as a mark of the finality of death. Each, in turn, did so with the exception of the old man. "Oh, how I loved her!" he moaned loudly. His daughter and two sons again tried to restrain him, but he continued, "I loved her!"

Now, as the rest of those gathered around began leaving the grave, the old man stubbornly resisted. He stayed, staring into the grave. The clergyman approached. "I know how you must feel, but it's time to leave. We must all leave and go on with life."

"Oh, how I loved her!" the old man moaned, miserably. "You don't understand," he said to the clergyman, "I almost told her once."

That story really made an impression on me because it is so sad! What a difference it would have made to both of them if the old man would have been



able to tell his wife that he loved her while she was alive. I can understand that it was a different generation with different standards of relationship conduct as compared to today. However, no matter what generation we are from, we all need to say, "I love you" to the people who mean a lot

to us. There is something about hearing the words: "I love you" that makes a difference in our lives.

So to all of you out there - remember, February 14 is coming. If you need to mail a card - do it now. If you need to phone or visit a loved one - make plans now. And, if you live with that special someone - as a spouse or child, tell them about how much you love and appreciate them not only on February 14, but more often throughout the year.

O. A. Battisla is quoted as saying, "The greatest weakness of most humans is their hesitancy to tell others how much they love them while they're still alive." So take courage and do it today with your loved ones.

F. G. Miller grad is the Review's new publisher

The Elk Point Review's new publisher is no stranger to our community. Clare Gauvreau (nee Courtier) spent her teens in the Elk Point district and graduated from F. G. Miller High School in 1981. She'll be back in her old home town tomorrow night to attend the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting, and hopes to visit Elk Point often to meet our readers and local business owners.

Ms Gauvreau started her journalism career at the St. Paul Journal in the early 1980s, moving up to the post of editor, which she left in 1994. Since then, she has worked with the Lakeland Regional Health Authority in their smoking cessation program.

Newspapers, however, were Ms Gauvreau's "first love" career-wise, and she is "very excited" about returning to her original career path as a part of the Great West Newspapers Ltd. Her appointment as publisher of the Review and the St. Paul Journal is "a tremendous opportunity for me, and I'm eager to take on the challenge of delivering first-rate newspapers to the community and area."

She sees community newspapers as "a reflection of the communities they serve," and emphasizes the



CLARE GAUVREAU

importance of the paper "being in tune with the community, the readers and the advertisers." She wants to hear the views, needs and expectations of the community: "it's all about communication, and after all, that is the business we're in."

Ms Gauvreau, her husband, Denis, who works with Ducks Unlimited, and their two daughters, live midway between Elk Point and St. Paul.

The Review is happy to welcome Ms Gauvreau back to the newspaper world. We are looking forward to working with her once again.

Skate-a-Thon goes tomorrow!

If you own a pair of skates, or can borrow some; if you can skate forward or backwards, and keep going for ten minutes, you are eligible to enter this "event of the year" so far. The 2001 Skate-a-thon goes Wednesday, February 7 from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the A. G. Ross Arena.

There will be free hot chocolate and hot dogs for all participants, as well as awards for each level of pledges. Skaters raising under \$50 receive gift certificates from Footprints, those raising from \$51 to \$100 have their choice of a water bottle or sport socks, those raising \$101 to \$150 receive a ball cap,

from \$151 to \$200 a sports T-shirt, and \$201 to \$250, a sports bag. The awards will be given on the basis of money collected and turned in at the skate-a-thon.

There will also be one grand prize awarded to the person who raises the most money, consisting of one of each of the awards listed above. Prizes will be awarded for the oldest and youngest skater, and for the most laps skated in each age group (5 and under, 6 and 7, 8 and 9, 10 and 11, and over, male and female).

Pledge sheets are available at the arena. Please support your local Skating Club on February 7.

CRIME STOPPERS

By Cst. J. E. McDonald
Elk Point RCMP Detachment

On the afternoon of Friday, January 26, 2001 between the hours of 1:00 and 5:00 a dark green, 1995 Dodge Ram pickup truck was struck while it was parked in the town of Elk Point. The pickup truck sustained damage to the driver's side door as a result of the hit and run. The police are requesting that anyone that may have seen the accident or have some information in this regard con-

tact Crimestoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or the Elk Point RCMP Detachment at 724-3829.

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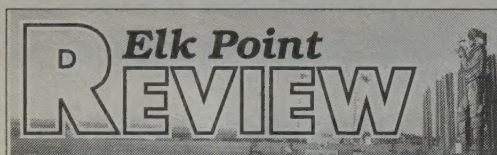
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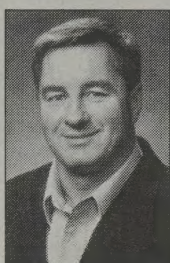


FEBRUARY IS HEART MONTH

Women deserve better

By Vital Ouellette

Liberal
Candidate, Lac
La Biche - St.
Paul



The Klein government has forgotten women when determining its policy changes and program funding priorities. How else do we explain the continued gap between men's and women's wages, inadequate maternity leave, the lack of access to high quality child care or women having to return to work (often at minimum wage) in order to make ends meet?

The inadequate funding of programs by the Klein government means that many women have the added burden of caring for elderly or sick family members, frequently having to assist nursing professionals in understaffed hospitals. It has even forced difficult choices. This past month, a young mother from St. Paul had to forego a medical procedure of her own when faced with a limited budget

and the medical needs of her children.

Underfunding has also meant that many women have had to become fundraisers for their children's school basics and recreational activities. All this, along with attending to family life within the home.

Women deserve our recognition for the contributions and sacrifices that they make. The government should strive to improve the lives of women and their families. I believe that there should be:

- Pay equity legislation, paying women and men equally for work of equal value
 - Minimum wage sufficient to make ends meet
 - High quality, affordable child care throughout the province
 - Proper support of public schools to eliminate fundraising for basic classroom needs
 - Adequate funding of home care and more long-term care facilities
 - Increased funding of the Maintenance Enforcement Program
- What do you think? Please call me at (780) 645-7144.

An explanation of rising gas costs

By Ray Danyluk

Progressive
Conservative
Candidate, Lac
La Biche - St.
Paul



Following Premier Klein's television address and my editorial in the newspapers last week, further questions were raised, which I will try to answer.

First of all, Premier Klein stated, "Alberta's natural gas belongs to all Albertans and they have told our government that in times of high prices such as we're seeing this winter the revenues from the gas should be returned to them."

A couple of years ago gas prices were much lower in Alberta than the rest of Canada and the US for two main reasons: the demand was lower and there was more gas available than there was pipeline capacity to export it. Listed below are some of the contributing factors in the recent escalation of gas prices:

- The gas prices in Alberta have risen to match North American gas prices.
- There are short-term exceptions, ie. Ontario paying less and locally paying more.
- The Alberta government does not own drilling rigs or is not the developer of drilling activity.
- Gas drilling companies/producers sell gas to the distributor, who sell to ourselves.
- Some of this added consumption happened because of the increased activity in our local oil industry. The escalation in world oil prices enhanced drilling, reactivated old wells and maximized cleaning

plant production. All of this added unexpected activity escalated the usage of reserves that were pre-purchased.

■ This gas usage prematurely forced local distributors to buy gas at a much higher spot price, which they passed directly on to us, the consumer.

The added oil development is a benefit; it provides employment, local economic development and results in added oil royalties. Producers pay the province a royalty, which is allocated by the government to programs, services, and tax reductions or rebates according to what the government perceives are the citizens needs or wishes.

The Alliance pipeline is also often blamed for causing these price increases. However, prices were increased prior to the Alliance pipeline commencing transport of gas in November 2000. There is also another concern that has been related to the Alliance pipeline. Before the natural gas leaves the province, the older pipelines extract the ethane and other products for upgrading in our local petrochemical plants. Through the use of new technology these liquids were able to stay in the pipeline during transportation costing Alberta the opportunity of added jobs in this refinement.

Alberta appealed to the National Energy Board in Ottawa, who has the jurisdiction over inter-provincial and international pipelines, for changes to the license for the Alliance pipeline as to limit the export of raw materials. The appeal was denied.

Some people have suggested that natural gas should not be exported and

should be retained for the exclusive use by Albertans at low prices. The economic implications of such a policy change would be far-reaching and detrimental to the prosperity and fiscal position Alberta experiences at this time. If exports ceased, employment in exploration and production would disappear because we only consume about 20 per cent of the gas we produce.

Many Albertans have asked for relief to lessen the burden of natural gas prices for our homes, businesses and our community facilities. Premier Klein and his government have responded with some of the following programs. The government announced a \$150 a month rebate for all households. All non-resident consumers, community facilities, non-profit associations, commercial, industrial and farm businesses will also receive a rebate equivalent to \$6 a gigajoule. These rebates will automatically be deducted from the bill except for propane users and heating oil users who will have to apply for the \$150 rebate. There will also be a \$5 million contingency coming from the lottery fund, for seniors, low-income Albertans and non-profit groups who need further assistance after rebates are provided.

Premier Klein and the government have listened to the concerns of Albertans. The government used the revenue from resources Albertans own and have reinvested it when needed most. Premier Klein has said this is not only a short-term fix but he is also looking at a long-term plan to minimize the impact of future price escalations that could occur in the months and years to come.

■ Nutrition Notes

"B" good to your heart

By Linda Fox

Registered Dietitian, Elk Point Health Centre

There is now another reason to take a good 'hearty' look at Canada's Food Guide to Healthy Eating. Eating five to ten servings of vegetables and fruits and two to four servings of milk products may help reduce the amount of homocysteine in the blood and the risk of heart disease. The secret: those B vitamins.

Homocysteine, found naturally in the blood, at high levels can cause damage to blood vessels and is a risk factor for heart disease.

Genetics or a lack of certain vitamins can cause an increase in levels. Vitamins B12, B6, folate and riboflavin help keep homocysteine at low levels. How do you get enough of these vitamins? Registered dietitian Diane Britton states, "It is easy to get all of the B vitamins you need from food. Just follow Canada's Food Guide and eat a variety of foods including milk products and dark orange and green vegetables and fruit."

Sources of Vitamin B12 include meat products, milk, cheese and eggs. Recent research on Vitamin

B12 has shown that it is much better absorbed from dairy products than other foods. Milk products are also the best source of riboflavin in the Canadian diet. Vitamin B6 is found in cereal, baked potatoes with the skin, and bananas. The best way to get folate is from kidney beans, enriched breakfast cereal, asparagus, spinach and broccoli.

So 'B' good to your heart and fill up on foods rich with B vitamins.

For more information, contact Linda Fox, Registered Dietitian, Elk Point Health Centre, phone 724-3847.



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what's NEWS at the LIBRARY?

Friends need 20 bingo volunteers by February 13

The Friends of Elk Point Public Library have decided to "no longer flog the dead horse" of trying to stretch their meager, over-volunteered and sometimes unwilling group of volunteers into a crew capable of

running the group's allotment of bingos, according to Sherry Pelech, who was returned as the group's chairperson at a very poorly attended Annual Meeting on Friday night.

"But we haven't

totally pulled the plug on it.. we'll allow it to remain comatose for however long it takes to get some new blood into the group." The Friends will ask for a leave of absence at the bingo hall "unless 20 willing and able volun-

teers" come forward before the deadline date on February 14, Ms Pelech said. If you are able to help "put some getty-up back into the bingo crew," please call Sherry at 724-2562 as soon as possible.

The Friends raised approximately \$10,000 to help operate the library with the just-completed round of bingos, and would like to continue to assist financially. Pointing out the handsome new paperback racks just

being installed at the library, Ms Pelech noted "we could use five more - but they're \$500 apiece." Programs and the purchase of new materials will also suffer if the bingos do not go ahead, she added.

Elks defeat Sask Alta league leaders 8 - 7

The Elk Point Elks narrowed the margin for first place in the SaskAlta Hockey League points race to four on Friday night with their 8-7 win over the league-leading Onion Lake Eagles. A huge and exuberant crowd cheered on the combatants in an exciting game with non-stop action.

The Elks were first on the scoreboard with an unassisted goal by Dwayne Karbaszewski just over a minute into the game, but the Eagles replied with four goals in seven minutes to take a substantial lead. Lawren Wowk

scored his first of three in the game for the Elks just after mid period, assisted by Blair Halfe and Ted Genereux.

Six and a half minutes into the second period, Genereux narrowed the gap to 4 - 3 off assists by Wowk and Sheldon Espetveidt, with Onion Lake soon retaliating with a short-handed goal. Two more shorthanded goals, by

Wowk off Genereux for the Elks and another by the Eagles, kept the Eagles ahead by two, until a power play gave the visitors a three goal advantage by the end of the penalty-filled second period.

Five 10-minute misconducts and a game misconduct in the first 40 minutes sapped the strength of the Eagles, and when they and the

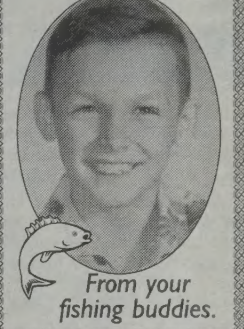
Elks (with three 10-minute misconducts of their own) each sent another player out of the game by the middle of the final period, the visitors lost much of their fire power. With both teams finally back at full strength, the Elks slammed in three goals in a minute and 38 seconds to tie the game with Doug Zarowny, assisted by Halfe, Karbaszewski, assisted by Espetveidt, and Wowk, assisted by Cory Laboucane and Genereux. A standing ovation greeted Aaron Aarbo when he scored the winning goal off an assist by Travis Brown with four and a half minutes left on the clock.

Onion Lake, with four players in the league's top ten scorers, added to those statistics, with

leading scorer Dennis Perillat adding three points, second place Myron Dillon adding two and tenth place Marcel Jenkins adding one. Both Ted Genereux, fourth in the standings, and Lawren Wowk, sitting seventh going into the game, added four points to the totals and may have moved up a notch in the scoring race.

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COMMUNITY NEWSLINE

"Mother to Mother" Breastfeeding Support Group - meets 4th Monday of every month, 10 a.m. Call 724-3332 for more info. Expectant mothers and older siblings welcome.

Elk Point Parent Nursery - Every Wednesday, 10 a.m. to Noon, Elk Point United Church Hall. Children under 6 and parents welcome. For more info, call Jackie Ludlage, 724-3066 or Sue Cleland, 724-4315.

Al-Anon Family Group Meeting, Room 605, Elk Point Municipal Hospital, Wednesday evening at 8:30 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, Wednesday at 8:30 p.m., Room 604, Elk Point Hospital.

T.O.P.S. meets every Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., FCSS Office, Elk Point.

"New To Town" FCSS would like to welcome and familiarize new families with the services and programs available in town. Welcome packages contain a community directory, volunteer directory, coupons, maps and more! Call 724-3800 for more information or drop by 4902 - 51 Street.

Recycle Your Paper - Paper trailer is located at the west side of the bottle depot on Railway Ave. We take newspapers, flyers, computer and bond paper. No milk or egg cartons, phone books or glossy magazines. Please sort and bundle with string or put in cardboard boxes.

Elk Point Public Library - Mon., Tues. and Thurs. 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.; Wed. 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Fri. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Storytime - Fri at 10:30 a.m. Photocopies. Extended library services and reliable information sources. Public meeting spaces available to non-profit organizations at no charge. Please call the Elk Point Library for booking at 724-3737.

The Elk Point Legion now meets on the 2nd Tues. of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Seniors' Centre.

Elk Point Auto Club - meets at the Empress Restaurant, Elk Point, the 2nd Wednesday of each month. More information call: Ed Smith at 724-2527.

Elk Point & Area "Stop Family Violence" Support Group - meetings are held 2 times a month. For more information call 724-2380, 724-3800 or 645-1950

Adoption/ Foster Support Krew - meets every second Thursday. For more info call Judi at 724-2118.

Many Albertans gamble as a form of recreation. For a small minority, however, gambling becomes a problem. If you or someone you know is experiencing personal, social or financial problems as a result of their gambling, confidential help is available. Call 1-800-665-9676.

Minor hockey highlights

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Dewberry, 5 to 1. Jesse Kozicky with some good soft hands around the net, scoring a hat trick, singles for Chance Bensmiller and Chance Harvie. The Colts will travel to Smoky Lake tomorrow night for the second game of the two game series. On Sunday, the Colts defeated Bonnyville in league play, 8 to 5. Another talented first year player from the Elk Point system, Jason Kalynchuk with four, Brandon Isert, Dustin Bensch and Jason Lukkan with singles, Myles Quinney with his first of the year.

Vermilion has been the team to beat this year for the Novice Hurricanes, who faced them on Sunday in the Dome, winning a close game 5 to 4. Two goals for "Bronco Billy" Hudy, singles for "Dirty Harry" Harrison Maas, Ryan Marcenik and Mike Marianchuk; Danny Carlson with two assists, Dylan Loughran and Brendan Bishop also assisting. Kameron Ballas, this week's candidate in the net, did a fine job of keeping the rubber out. Two weeks from now, the Hurricanes will pack their bags, climb onto the Greyhound and head north, way north, to the land of the tar sands, Fort McMurray, for a big, big Novice tournament.

Pioneer Circle bingo

January 22, 2001

Olga Bayrock \$30, Louise Jenkins \$30, Ken Morin \$30, Henry Dion \$30, Steve Yaceyko \$30, Caroline Shankowski \$30, Lucy Smereka \$30, Josie Zarowny \$30, Phyllis Zarowny \$30, Suzanne deJong \$60, Vi Lillemoen \$195, Lorie Podhaniuk \$15, Pauline Chomlak \$15, Zelma Krucik \$30, Pearl Anderson \$15, Ken Orr \$22, Lena Stepa \$34, Sue Lokken \$700, Alex Smereka \$28, Helga Vaughan \$28, Ann Zayac \$28, Virginia Lajimodiere \$28, Carol Kulczycki \$14, Doris Benson \$14.

January 29, 2001

Harry Shankowski \$6, Louis Lumley \$16, John Wozniak \$6, Rocky Mason \$6, Glen Foureyes \$30, Alex Smereka \$30, Jenny Lajimodiere \$30, Louise Jenkins \$103, Richard Aulotte \$6, Grace Paananen \$6, Ann Piotrowski \$6, Pauline Lachance \$16, Bernice Bykowski \$30, Lois Sharek \$10, Pearl Slywka \$48, Mary Fryngpan \$30, Betsy Lumley \$57, Annie Stanley \$68, Kay Wozniak \$30, Ken Orr \$30, Lynn Boyko \$60, Carol Kulczycki \$67, Clifford Stanley \$17, John Joe Fryngpan \$17, Helen Gulayec \$126, Cliff Houle \$38, Caroline Shankowski \$10, Gabe Fiddler \$10, Dan Demchuk \$16, Joanne Ference \$16, Debbie Orr \$200.

NOTICE TO ALL FARMERS PUBLIC MEETING

GUEST SPEAKER - Ken Nicol, MLA
Lethbridge East

- Critic for Agriculture Food & Rural Development
- Critic for Economic Development
- Attended every Ag Summit held throughout Alberta

- TOPICS:**
- Water quality
 - Intensive livestock operations
 - Stable farm incomes
 - Streamlining of government farm programs
 - Question period

February 14 at 7:30 pm at the St. Paul Ag Corral

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Allyson, Dwayne, Bill
& Grandchildren

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BOOS, Minnie

We would like to extend thanks to all the people who provided the excellent care and medical attention to Minnie.

Thanks to all for your support in sending cards, flowers, telephone calls and for the donations to Heritage Lodge and Parkview Entendicare and also to Yewchin's Funeral Chapel for their guidance and services.

Phyllis & Anton Zarowny
Laurie, Ted & Family

CHURCH SERVICES

Elk Point Baptist Church

5705 - 49 St., Elk Point
Pastor Jim MacLellan
Family Worship Service
Sundays - 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School - 11:15 a.m.
Call 724-4194 for more information
or see our Website <http://elkpt-bapt.homepage.com/church.html>.

Elk Point Christian
Community Church

Senior Pastor Jerry Richards -
Phone 724-2493
Associate Pastor Richard Upham
Railway Avenue and 53 St.
Sunday Worship - 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.

St. Michael's Catholic
Church

Sunday Mass 12:15 p.m..

Bethel Lutheran Church

of Lea Park
Weekly Services,
10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion 2nd and 4th

Sundays

St. Vladmirs' Ukrainian
Orthodox Church, Elk Point
For service times, call 645-5156,
St. Paul or 724-4351, Elk Point.

United Church of Canada

4822 - 50 Ave., Elk Point
Rev. Jope Langejans - 724-3616
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Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
"Come and be Welcomed -
Come and Be Nurtured"

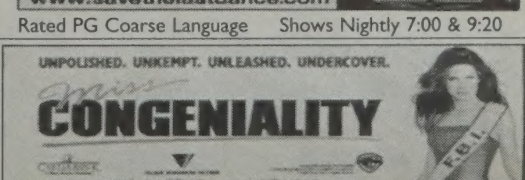
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CONGRATULATIONS TO Jamie Lynn of Madden, AB, who won the Nanton Minor Hockey Cattle Raffle on January 27, 2001. Thanks to everyone who bought tickets.

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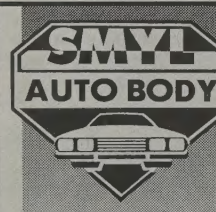
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Some immediate improvements to Alberta's crop insurance program are being made for the 2001 crop year, stemming from the initial recommendations of the Crop Insurance Review Committee. Other recommended improvements are also being considered but will take more time to implement due to complexity, need for further research or the need for negotiation with the federal government.

The review committee is also preparing to hold another series of public meetings to report on their recommendations and to gather further input on some remaining issues. A final report from the committee is expected in the spring.

The initial recommendations reflect the findings of the committee since October 1999. Chaired by former federal agriculture minister Charlie

Mayer, the committee held 41 meetings with crop insurance clients and other farmers, hosted a number of open meetings around the province and attended meetings with producer organizations, insurance staff and adjustors.

Changes for the 2001 crop year:

- changes to the re-seeding benefit to ensure it more closely reflects re-seeding costs;
- changes to the index calculation that omits third-party damage (e.g. wildlife damage) from the calculation used to determine a farmer's index;
- reintroduction of harvesting allowances on standing crops to ensure harvesting costs do not exceed the value of the crop;
- implementation of a developmental program to test options for creating an effective pasture insurance component under Forage Insurance;
- creation of insurance coverage for chick peas;
- separation of bean types and wheat types for the 2001 crop year;
- mechanisms will also be developed to allow for coverage of other new and emerging crops in the future; and,
- other administrative measures to improve delivery of customer service.

"While these may be

rather minor changes to our programs, they respond directly to a number of concerns raised by farmers," says Ty Lund, Minister of Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development. "We will continue to work on the more substantive issues, but these will take more time and more research to implement. In the meantime, we will

make these improvements immediately. Our intention is to ensure Alberta farmers have the best risk management tools at their disposal."

The review committee held further public meetings in January 2001 to report back their recommendations and to gather more information, primarily on yield and price coverage levels.

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